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EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 1627

THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	Art Unit: 1627
FOWLKES, et al.)	Examiner: PONNALURI, P.
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In response to the office action mailed September 21, 2001,
please enter the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 10, line 1,
with the following rewritten paragraph:

A "structured panel" is a panel as defined above where there
is some structural relationship between the member libraries.
For example, one could have a panel of 20 different biased
peptide libraries where, in each library, the middle residue is
held constant as a given amino acid, but, in each library the
constant residue is different, so, collectively, all 20 possible
genetically encoded amino acids are explored by the panel.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 27, 30, 32, 33 and 35 as follows:

Claims 27, 30, 32, 33 and 35 have been amended as follows:

27 (twice amended). A structured panel consisting of a
plurality of biased combinatorial linear peptide libraries, each
library having one and only one constant residue at a position
fixed for all peptides in all libraries of said panel, all

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